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## American Red Cross on call to help families in Rota

JOC Jon **McMillan**

Tena Harris is on call this week. As an American Red Cross (ARC) employee, she'll be the one called if an emergency message is received and needs to be delivered to someone stationed at Naval Station Rota.

"Because of the time difference, calls usually come after hours," she said. "So we get awakened in the middle of the night, but it's important to have someone available 24 hours a day to help."

Help means ensuring the emergency message is given to a member's command and that they'll take action on it. It can mean processing an emergency loan for the Navy/Marine Corps Relief Society at 3 a.m. or it can mean drafting an ARC message to send back to the states to notify the family that there's been an emergency in Rota.

"Because you have email today, a lot of people hear about a situation before the American Red Cross knows about it," said Sybil Mooror, the ARC field office assistant for Rota. "But sometimes the message will state the member is unaware of the situation and it may even request a chaplain be present when the member is notified because they don't know how [the member will] respond [to the message]."

Many times though, the member already knows of the situation and requires

the ARC message in order to get a priority seat on a flight back to the states or to get a loan for the trip.

The ARC can authorize up to \$2,000 for a family without getting additional approval from the Navy/Marine Corps Relief Society (NMCRS). The loan is interest-free and paid back through allotment within 10 months. If a family needs an extension, they can apply for one through the NMCRS.

"Make sure you have enough money to get back [to Rota] commercial though," said Mooror. The priority seating is only valid when travelling to the emergency, not when returning to Spain.

"If you find you don't have enough money though, go to the local Red Cross chapter and apply for financial assistance," said Mooror.

To help loved ones out during an emergency, the ARC recommends members send their loved-ones an "Information For Family of Service Member" card. This card, usually handed out to newly arrived personnel, informs family members that the military member and family has arrived at their new duty station and all the information needed by the ARC to send that family an emergency message if needed.

"If you know your parent will be in the hospital, it's good to get the hospital's

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## Hispanic Heritage Month ends

JOSN Justin **Takasawa**

Rota's military community got together over the last few weeks to celebrate national Hispanic Heritage Month.

"We started things off with a party to get people excited and peak their interest in Hispanic heritage month," said Lt. Gene Esparza, galley food service officer and president of the Mexican American Heritage club here in Rota. "People came down from Moron to celebrate," said Esparza.

Over 100 people attended the party at Campo Colon he said.

Throughout the month, the galley played a four-part video to raise awareness on Mexican American history and

civil rights, said Esparza. The base radio station also played spots addressing Hispanic Medal of Honor winners.

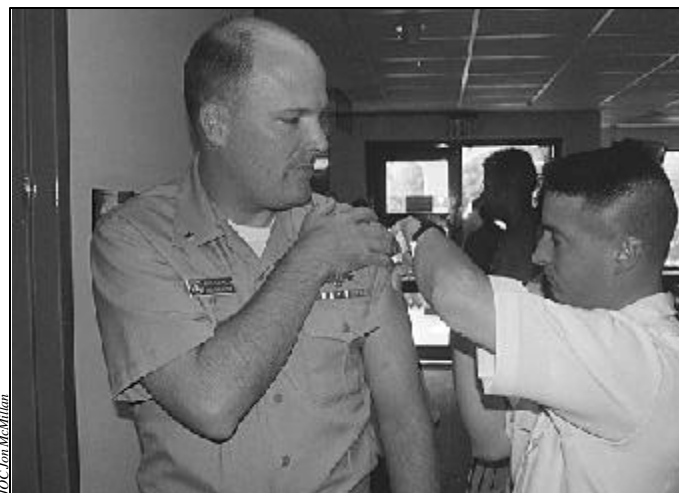
"Our grand finale was Saturday at reflections. We had a speech given by the district attorney of El Paso, Texas, James Esparza," he said.

"The speech focused on the rising numbers of Hispanics in the U.S. population and how that is significant but it doesn't mean that much if we don't raise our education," said Esparza.

"I was very happy with what happened this year although the Rota community hasn't reached its potential," said Esparza.

"Next year, I'd like to see better organization."

## Beating the bug Rota gears up to combat influenza



*Cmdr. John Buckles, Rota's XO, gets his vaccination at the base hospital. Flu shots are underway at the base hospital, as Naval Station Rota prepares for the upcoming flu season. The vaccine is being given at the following times and locations:*

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## Tri-Care plan explained

JOC Jon **McMillan**

If you're planning on traveling, either in Europe or in the States, during the upcoming holiday season, now is the time to make sure you and your family won't get stuck with unwanted medical bills or hassles if you get into an accident or need to seek medical care.

"The best defense against incurring medical bills is educating yourself," said Kimbra Treadwell, Naval Station Rota's Tricare Service Center representative. The military's health care program, Tricare, may at first seem a bit confusing, but after a little listening and reading, it doesn't have to be.

There are three different Tricare health plans: Standard, Extra, and Prime. Each plan is a little different and not every plan is available to members overseas. The first plan is Tricare Standard. It is available in Europe and the states and offers the beneficiary the most choices as to where

they receive their health care. "It's basically the old Champus program," said Treadwell.

While it offers the most choices, it can also be the most expensive she said. The beneficiary is not required to sign-up for Tricare Standard, is not restricted to a specific network of civilian doctors or specialists, but is also not given priority at a military hospital or clinic.

"You can still seek care at a military hospital, but on a space-available basis," said Treadwell. "It's never brought up as an issue in Rota because we have space," she said, but in major stateside military hospitals, space may not be available.

Tricare Extra is the second health care plan available to beneficiaries in the states, but it's not available overseas. This plan is designed for people who wish to have civilian doctors provide their outpatient care. The doctors must be part of the Tricare Extra network. In Tricare Extra, the government pays a larger share of the cost than it will under Tricare

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### Weekend weather forecast

Today	Saturday
78/66	80/70
Friday	Sunday
74/68	78/68

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## The Navy ball is here

The Navy Ball will be held tomorrow evening at the Bodega El Cortijo in Puerto de Santa Maria. Cocktails begin at 6:30 p.m., followed by tapas at the table at 7:30 p.m., and the ceremony begins at 8 p.m.

The attire for the Navy Ball is as follows:

E-6 and below, full dress blues OR dinner dress blues; E-7 to O-3, dinner dress blues OR mess dress blues; O-4 and above; dinner dress blues OR mess dress blues; and guests, appropriate civilian equivalent. The guest speaker is Capt. (Ret) Jack Fellows, a former Vietnam POW. A photographer will be available, along with a live DJ during the ceremony.

Public parking is available directly across the street from the Bodega (cost 100 pesetas). Transportation from the base to the Bodega El Cortijo is provided by two buses which will transport attendees of the Navy Ball. The schedule is as follows:

### Bus #1

5:45 p.m. & 7 p.m. — Departs Base Galley parking lot and stops at Dive-Inn Pool to pick up passengers.

10:30 p.m., midnight & 1 a.m. — Departs Bodega and drops off passengers at Dive-Inn Pool and then Base Galley parking lot

### Bus #2

6 p.m. — Departs Dive-Inn Pool parking lot.

7:30 p.m. — Departs Base Galley parking lot and stops at Dive-Inn Pool to pick up passengers.

11 p.m., 12:30 a.m. & 1:30 a.m. — Departs Bodega and drops off passengers at Dive-Inn Pool and then Base Galley parking lot.

The Bodega El Cortijo is located on the right just past the train station in El Puerto de Santa Maria and just before the bridge as you're heading on the N IV towards Cadiz.

## CNO revises DAPA instruction

### JOSN Justin Takasawa

The Chief of Naval Operations issued a new instruction called OPNAV 5250.4C, on June 29, 1999 that outlines drug and alcohol abuse, prevention and control.

According to the instruction, a member who has an alcohol related incident, after receiving treatment for a previous incident, will be processed for administrative separation from the Navy unless a waiver can be produced.

An alcohol related incident is any in which alcohol was the primary contributing factor.

The new instruction also includes guidelines for alcohol self-referrals.

"It's to the advantage of the person to turn themselves in before the problem gets out of hand," said Drug and Alcohol Program Advisor Armando Ochotorena.

The instruction states that self-referrals

are those of which a military member believes he or she is abusing alcohol and needs to be treated.

It is called early intervention and no disciplinary action should result from a self-referral.

Members who believe they are having problems with drug and alcohol use can refer themselves to the DAPA, commanding officer, executive officer, any D.O.D medical employee, base chaplains, Navy drug and alcohol counselors and the family service center counselor.

"The Navy is going to help anybody anytime," said Ochotorena. He highlighted the policies right spirit principles that state shipmate responsibilities.

"Don't let your shipmates drink and drive," he said.

According to the instruction, alcohol abuse is a detriment to combat readiness, performance and reliability.

The military instruction that outlines this definition, DoD Directive 1327.5, also states that a grandparent or another person is not normally considered to have stood in place of a parent when the parent also lived at the residence.

This determination is important for the Red Cross because they are only authorized to fund a trip for one person if it's for a non-loco parentis emergency.

However, they are authorized to fund an entire family's trip for a loco parentis emergency.

The ARC can provide a copy of the DoD directive if needed. The American Red Cross office is located in the PSD building from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday. After hour workers can be reached through the Naval Station Quarterdeck at 2222.

## Fire prevention weeks rolls to end



JOSN Justin Takasawa

Sparky the Fire Dog waves from the stoop of his house that is used to help train children how to escape a fire. The base fire department closed fire prevention week with a parade through base housing Saturday.

### Tri Care, cont.

Standard and the beneficiary pays less. Again, it's not required to enroll in the program but you must select a doctor from the Tricare network. Beneficiaries can also seek outpatient care at a military hospital on a space-available basis.

"This program is better for the beneficiary if they don't want to be in Tricare Prime," said Treadwell.

Tricare Prime is the last, and most popular, health care plan available. This is the only plan where the beneficiary must be physically enrolled in. "It's the most restrictive plan," said Treadwell, "but it's also the least expensive for the beneficiary."

The plan basically works like this: When you enroll in Tricare Prime, you will be assigned a Primary Care Manager. This is usually a doctor or team of doctors at a military hospital. This Primary Care Manager will take care of all your health care needs and, if a specialist is needed, will refer you to one.

Tricare Prime guarantees you will receive medical appointments quickly and you will receive priority treatment at military hospitals — no waiting for space to become available. "Tricare Prime is the program with the least out-of-pocket expenses, provided it's used correctly," said Treadwell.

That means the beneficiary will use their Primary Care Manager for routine medical care and for referrals to specialists. Pre-authorization is required for any non-emergency or urgent care. Pre-authorization is not needed for emergency or urgent care. If people are planning on travelling, Treadwell said it's a good idea to stop by the Tricare office at the Naval Hospital.

"I like everyone to come see me to make sure they're enrolled and also to give them a Tricare card to take with them on their trip," she said.

The Tricare card can be very useful she said. It lists Tricare service centers and phone numbers in each state or country you may visit and provides information you will need if you have an emergency or need to

visit a hospital.

For routine medical care received while on vacation, the Tricare Prime beneficiary must call a Tricare representative to find out which doctor or hospital to visit. If this isn't done, they may have to pay up to 50% of the medical bills plus a \$300 deductible.

"To make sure you're not stuck with those fees, call the number on the back of the Tricare card and find out where to go," said Treadwell. "Then, ensure the bills are sent to the foreign claims address." That address is provided on the Tricare Card.

Emergency care, whether in the states or overseas, does not require any pre-authorization. It's recommended to first seek care at a U.S. military hospital if one is near or to have someone call your Tricare representative as soon as possible to help you fill out the required paperwork.

Even though it may seem like a very restrictive plan, Tricare Prime is, at its simplest level pretty basic. Know who your Primary Care Manager is and contact Tricare if you need to see someone else. Tricare will tell you whom to see. Following those simple steps can help save a lot of unwanted and unnecessary medical bills.

Knowing about the programs though isn't enough. You should know if you and your family are enrolled in Tricare Prime if that's the plan you've chosen.

"If they haven't walked into my office or if I haven't seen them at ICR, they really need to come see me," said Treadwell.

It's also important she said to see her before a beneficiary transfers to a new command. This is required to help ensure continued Tricare Prime coverage from Europe for up to 30 days after your "report no later than" date.

Once you arrive at your new duty station, you should enroll in Tricare Prime there, said Treadwell.

Price comparison charts are available at the Tricare office to see the cost differences between the three programs. Commands or community groups interested in learning more about Tricare can request a Tricare brief by calling Treadwell at 1225.

### Red Cross, cont.

and doctor's name because it can cut down on the time it takes us to verify," added Moorer. The ARC needs the doctor to provide a diagnosis, prognosis, condition and recommendation for the service member. This data is passed to the member's command and is used there to determine how and when the member is going home.

The ARC also provides data to help the command determine the relationship the member has with the person who is ill.

Two relationships that are commonly misunderstood are Loco Parentis and Non-Locho Parentis relationships.

Loco Parentis is a person who stood in place of a parent to the service member 24 hours a day for period of at least five years before the member became 21 years old or entered the service.

## OCSC Christmas Bazaar offers a chance for early Christmas shopping

*LTJG Chris Weech*

The weekend of November 6 and 7 is the unofficial beginning of the Christmas shopping season at Naval Station Rota.

Time to get out your list and check it twice because the 28th annual Officers & Civilians Spouses' Club (OCSC) Christmas Bazaar is upon us. This year, as in years' past, vendors from various countries, including Spain, will be on hand to offer their goods to the Rota community.

"This year, there is a total of 27 vendors including vendors from Belgium, Italy, Turkey, Argentina, Wales and a few other countries," said Kim Diaz, OCSC Bazaar Coordinator.

"These vendors will be selling everything from Silva paintings to Toledo swords to Capodimonte to Turkish rugs as well as homemade crafts," she added.

The bazaar will be held at DGF in both the Multipurpose Room and the gymnasium. "The international vendors will be in the multipurpose room and the home crafters will be above the gym. There will also be a food court located outside between the two buildings," Diaz said.

The bazaar is held every year just before Christmas and is the largest fundraising activity for the group.

"All of the money we make at the bazaar goes directly back into the community in the spring in the form of community grants," said Tammy Yockey, OCSC President. "Last year we gave out over \$10,000." In the past, the Red Cross, Boy Scouts, RAWL, DGF Music club and many other non-profit organizations benefited from OCSC's fundraising activities.

The hours for the bazaar are Saturday from 10-6 and Sunday from 10-5. The entry fee is \$1.50 or 225 pesetas per person. Children under 13 are admitted free. "As in the past, the bazaar is not limited to American ID card holders. It's open to anyone who can get on base.

"This includes Spanish and American military and civilians as well as retired people and their families," Diaz said. She added "we'll be giving out door prizes every hour. These prizes will be donated by the vendors so they'll be pretty nice door prizes."

### **Flu, cont.**

Active duty military can get their flu shots Thursdays from 1 – 4 p.m. at the Immunization Clinic at Family Practice.

During the month of October, this is a time set aside only for military members, and the hospital is encouraging commands to use this time when the clinic has additional staffing.

Spanish and American civilian employees can get shots daily from 2 – 4 p.m. at Occupational

Health and Medicine, free of charge.

All others can receive flu shots Monday through Friday, 8 – 11:30 a.m. and 1 – 4 p.m. (except on Thursday afternoon) at the Immunization Clinic at Family Practice.

All active duty personnel are required to get the flu shot, unless advised otherwise by medical personnel. Call Immunizations at ext. 3464 if you've got any questions.

### New Arrivals

**Jacob Lawrence Wendler**, son of Andrew J. Wendler and Annette Marie Wendler, born Aug. 18, 1999, 8 lbs. 2 oz.

**Sofia Elizabeth Rose Anthony**, daughter of Tyhon M. Anthony and Daisy Roberts Anthony, born Sept. 10, 1999, 8 lbs. 2 oz.

**Alison Renee Strickler**, daughter of Todd Strickler and Jan Strickler, born Sept. 14, 1999, 9 lbs. 9 oz.

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# News

## BRIEFS

### Uniform change

Naval Station, Rota, will change to the winter uniform November 1. The uniform of the day will be winter blue for E-6 and below and service khaki for E-7 and above, and there will be no optional period. You can wear your working uniform to and from work, while riding in a vehicle; however if in uniform while riding in a convertible, the top must be in the up position. Walking off-base in uniform is not authorized. Blues have been authorized for the Navy Ball. If you've got any questions, please contact EMCM(SS/AW) Allan McLain at ext. 2444.

### CACO training

A one-day Casualty Assistance Calls Officer (CACO) Training course will be held October 21 from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m. in the NAVLEAD building (next to the Navy Family Service Center). This course will introduce attendees to tasks required when called upon to perform CACO duty. You may reserve a seat by calling Lt. Johnson, Public Works, at ext. 2362 or 2940.

### School forum

A DGF Parent Forum will be held Tuesday at 6 p.m. in the multipurpose room. Dr. Tom Ellinger, DoDDs District Superintendent, will be available for questions during the open forum meeting, and everyone is invited.

### JAB meeting

The next Joint Advisory Board (JAB) meeting will be October 21 at 9:15 a.m. at the chapel. Come out and hear the latest news and events from base officials or address your questions and concerns. Everyone is invited to attend the open-forum meeting.

### Jewish meeting

The Jewish Community of Rota invites all its members, new and old, to meet and talk with your new lay leaders Friday at 7 p.m. in the Chapel Fellowship Hall. Bring your ideas for the kinds of community activities and worship services you'd like for the coming year. A brief Shabbat service will follow the meeting. Call Beth at ext. 4200 or Susan at 956-23-0346 for more information.

### Fire inspections

The Fire Department began conducting annual home fire protec-

tion inspections in base housing Wednesday. The home inspections are required by the Fire Protection Program on Navy Shore Establishments and serve to prevent fire incidents. They include required operational tests to identify and correct malfunctions on installed residential sprinklers and fire alarms systems.

On-base residents who have not returned the old carbon monoxide alarms for the manufacturer's recall can drop them by Housing Self Help or contact their Housing inspector at ext. 4652 to arrange a pick up. The old alarms will be repaired and made available for off-base residents.

### Decorations warning

Las Flores residents are reminded to not penetrate the exterior walls of their homes when putting up holiday decorations. Holes in the exterior walls will lead to leaks.

Las Palmeras residents are reminded to roll up their awnings when not at home or not using the awning. Heavy winds will damage the awnings and residents are responsible for the cost of repair.

### Two kilograms of "coke" in Champagne bottles

National Police in El Puerto, have dismantled a clandestine laboratory of cocaine. The drug was brought to El Puerto from Puerto Rico in bottles of champagne and wine. Three people (two from Madrid and one from Puerto) were arrested. The drug has a value of 50 millions ptas.

### Prohibited to smoke in the hospital

Since October 1 "Puerta del Mar Hospital" in Cádiz, is the first hospital in Spain where smoking had been prohibited. The slogan is

"Hospital without smokes". In fact, the Royal Decree prohibiting smoking in public centers dates from 1988, but nobody has been paying attention.

The regulation has provoked a controversy between doctors, patients and relatives. According to Lucas Picazo, Physician Director, the regulation is performed little by little and with patience. In the other side, the hospital union personnel are against the regulation and in favor of the smokers. They criticize the hospital because according to the union the regulation is excessive and there are problems more

important to resolve, that the tobacco.

### Pinochet will be extradited to Spain

The British High Court and in its name, Judge Ronald Bartle conceded the extradition of General Pinochet to Spain. Pinochet is accused of 34 torture's cases and for the missing of 1,198 people, during the Chilean dictatorship (1973-1990). Exiles and relatives of the victims were waiting outside the Court in Bow St. bursting into tears, jumps and weeps after the court decision was heard.

### A fire killed two children in Jerez

A fire at their suburb house, in Jerez, killed two children, of ages 11 and 4, last week. Six more relatives were hospitalized with burns and smoke inhalation. The fire started in the small livingroom around 3:30 a.m. while they were sleeping. The small apartment was like a gas chamber. Two mopeds were kept in the living room and acted like bombs. After burning the mopeds, the gasoline in their deposit exploded producing a lot of toxic gases that with the tires and the plastic of the furniture's made the fire of a

considerable proportion. The first signs shows that the fire was caused by a short circuit but lately the police is looking for two people, relatives of the victims, as a possibility of provoking the fire.

### Run/dribble for CFC Fund

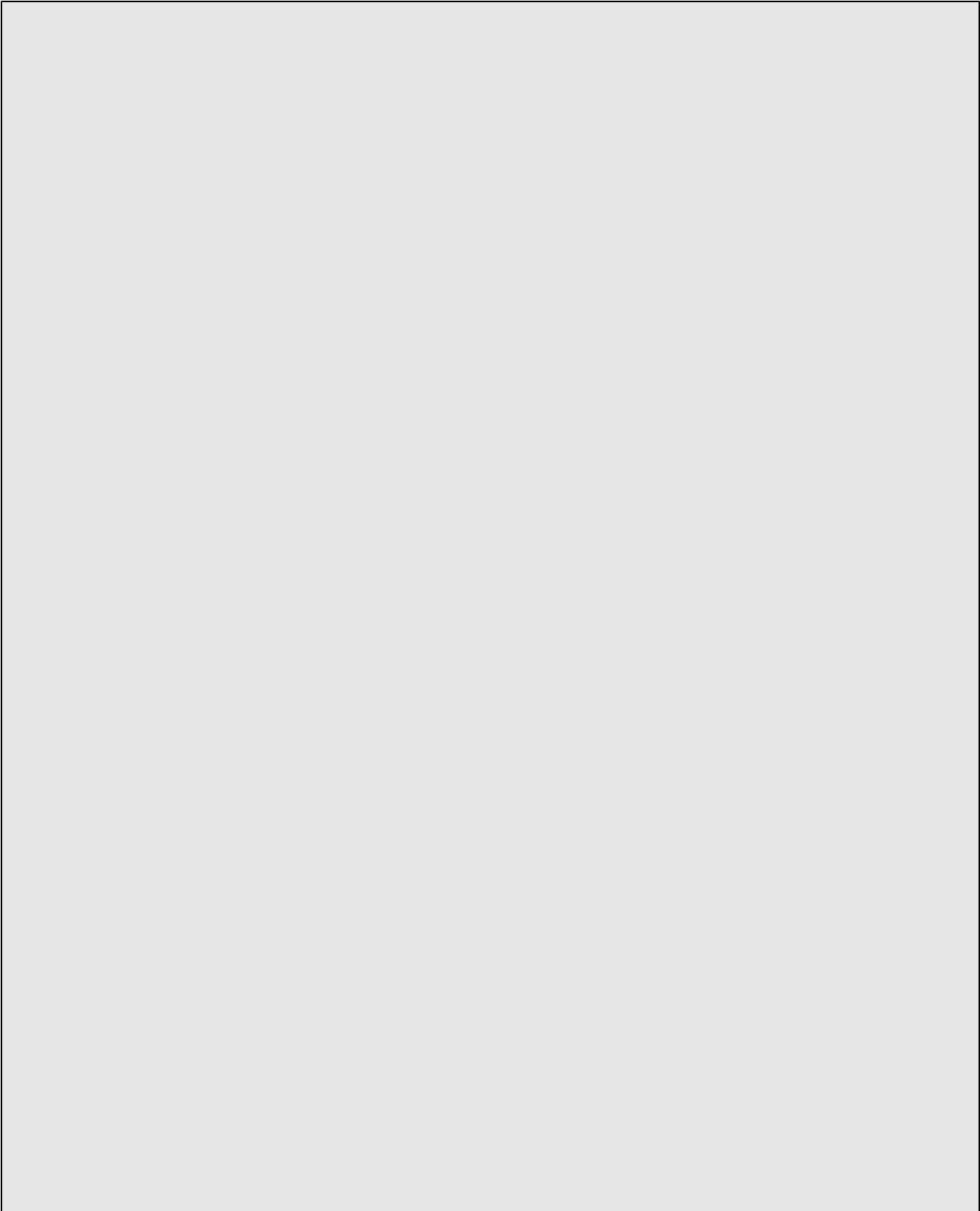
NSGA will be hosting a Three-on-three basketball tournament, October 29<sup>th</sup>. Entry fees are \$5 per person, \$15 per team. All entry fees go directly to the Combined Federal Campaign Fund.

Not only do you get a chance at bragging rights and individual trophy plaques for the winning teams, but also you're helping a fantastic cause.

Prizes will be awarded to the 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place teams. Team slots are limited. To enter, call P.O. Daughtery, or fax 2430 or send entry form e-mail to [srdecon@hotmail.com](mailto:srdecon@hotmail.com)

On November 10th, come join us at the "Hump day hump", a 24 hour relay race to benefit the CFC, at the track behind the gym. There are no entry fees. Pledges may be made by commands either by lap or mile. For more information Call P.O. Jaramillo at 2524, 2633 or 7270, fax us at 2430, or e-mail [jjaramillo@rocketmail.com](mailto:jjaramillo@rocketmail.com).

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# Rota celebrates 'Lady of the Rosario'

JOSN Justin **Takasawa**

I briskly walked towards Rota's cathedral last Thursday to find a good spot to witness the Lady of the Rosary festival. The festival is a yearly event celebrating and honoring the Virgin of the Rosary and draws a fairly large crowd during the patron Saints celebration of Rota.

Almost every town in Spain celebrates their patron saint in the same fashion by having a huge, parade-like procession.

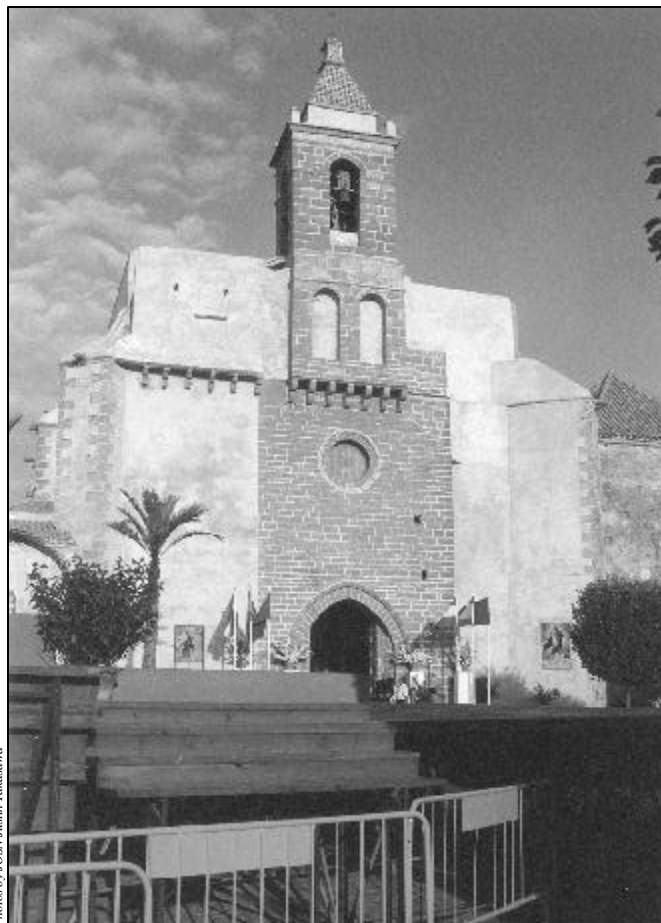
"At the end of the summer, it is a way of thanking the Lady of the Rosary for the season's crops," said Manuel Martin, intercultural relation's specialist at the Navy Family Service Center.

I was fortunate enough to attend the last part of Rota's three-day celebration and arrived outside the cathedral at 6:30 p.m.—exactly one-half hour before it was

scheduled to begin. I was a little disappointed, however, after observing the meager amount of people in the immediate area.

I let it go, remembering that I still had a lot of time before the event was to start. Everyone focused on the beautiful stage that was set against the side of the police station. It had gold trim and huge, pink cloths blowing in the wind. I thought this was going to be the evening's center of attention, but once again I guessed wrong. The stage was, in fact, where the crowning of the festival's queen had taken place last Tuesday.

The people gathered more thickly around the doors of the cathedral until they had become a crowd. At the first notes of a local marching band, I looked up and



Photos by JOSN Justin Takasawa

*The Lady of the Rosary procesion began in Rota's cathedral. The cathedral has stood tall since the 16th century.*

almost missed what I had come to witness. In marched the band from the street, playing while they slowly moved to the front of the cathedral.

When the band ceased playing, the procession began. Led by another band, men and women holding various religious artifacts, such as staffs and banners, walked out of the great building and, thus, began the Lady of the Rosary procession.

They walked on and I tagged along beside them. Their pace couldn't match a march. It was more of a slow, saunter that stopped every five minutes. I hung about

near the front of the procession, and then stopped to let it pass by me.

The men wore very formal suits and the women wore dresses. There was a group of young women that wore a black headdress called Mantillas, said Martin. In the past, women could not enter a church without covering their heads, he said.

Thinking that I had seen all that I was going to, I turned to walk to the front of the procession again when I saw the twenty-foot tall 'float' lurching in my direction.

Huge candles surrounded the top of the float and sitting at the peak was the Virgin

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*Sitting atop the decorated, 20 foot- tall float, the Lady of the Rosary is paraded through the streets of Rota. It took many men, lining the underside of the float, to carry it during the two hour procession. Many people reached out to touch the main attraction.*



of the Rosary. Instead of being pushed or pulled on wheels, there were a number of men beneath it, carrying it. I could only see their feet beneath the black cloth that skirted the float.

There was a huge reaction from the crowd. The 'oohs' and 'ahhs' were heard from all around. Almost everyone that lined the procession's side reached out and touched it after giving the sign of the cross.

I walked with the float, which followed the hanging lights, through the streets and stayed with it until its return back through the center of town. The whole procession took about two-and-a-half-hours. The crowd seemed to drift back indoors, especially into the local bars, after the excitement died down.

I joined the locals in their post-festival celebration and felt fortunate to have seen the Lady of the Rosary festival, a Spanish tradition that has lived on for more than 100 years.



*Rota's municipal band marches in to kick off the celebration.*

# Navy Family Service Center

## Job search strategies

October 15, 9:30-11:30  
If you are looking for a job in Rota or are making plans for your return to the states, it is important to be aware of job search strategies. Finding a job can be easier if you know how. Topics will include: the hidden job market, identifying available resources and major employers, and networking.

## Brown bag seminar London

October 15, 12:00-1:00  
Take an armchair tour to Big Ben, the Crown Jewels and Trafalgar Square. Learn about famous sights, historical facts, theaters, and shopping opportunities. Bring your fish & chips and digest our information to prepare for your next trip to lovely London!

## Checkbook management

October 19, 1:00-3:00  
Check it out! This comprehensive workshop will cover types of checking accounts, selection and opening of accounts, bank responsibilities, military regulations, the checking policies of MWR, NEX, PSD, and DECA, deposits, and balancing a monthly statement.

## Parents and tots

This group, for parents with children (birth to 4 years), will allow you to share your ideas with other parents and have fun! It is ongoing every Wednesday from 1130-1300.

## Spanish class

Registration for no fee Spanish Classes begins 18 October for both Beginning and Intermediate classes to start on 1 November and go for 6 weeks, Monday through Thursday. Call 3232 to sign up, or stop by the Navy Family Service Center.

## Communication and assertiveness

October 19, 5:15-8:00  
Learn effective listening skills, develop the ability to clearly state your needs and increase self

fulfillment. Lack of communication and assertiveness skills fosters loneliness and frustration with daily interactions in the work place as well as in the home. Become a better communicator and take an active part in personal growth. Don't take our word for it, apply the skills in your personal life and you be the judge!

## Anger management

October 20, 5:15-7:00  
Anger is a physical and psychological response. When understood, anger can appropriately be used to motivate, effectively communicate ideas through assertive behavior, and assist in establishing appropriate personal boundaries. The goal is not to eliminate anger but to manage it effectively.

## Stress management

October 21, 5:15-7:00  
Learn to deal more effectively with life stressors such as work performance, safety, familial and social relationships, physical health and readiness, and more. This experiential class teaches you specific techniques for dealing with a variety of stress types.

## DORS changes

The Defense Outplacement Referral system, known as DORS, will be undergoing some major changes as of September 30. Give us a call at the Navy Family Service Center, 3232, for more information.

## Domestic violence prevention

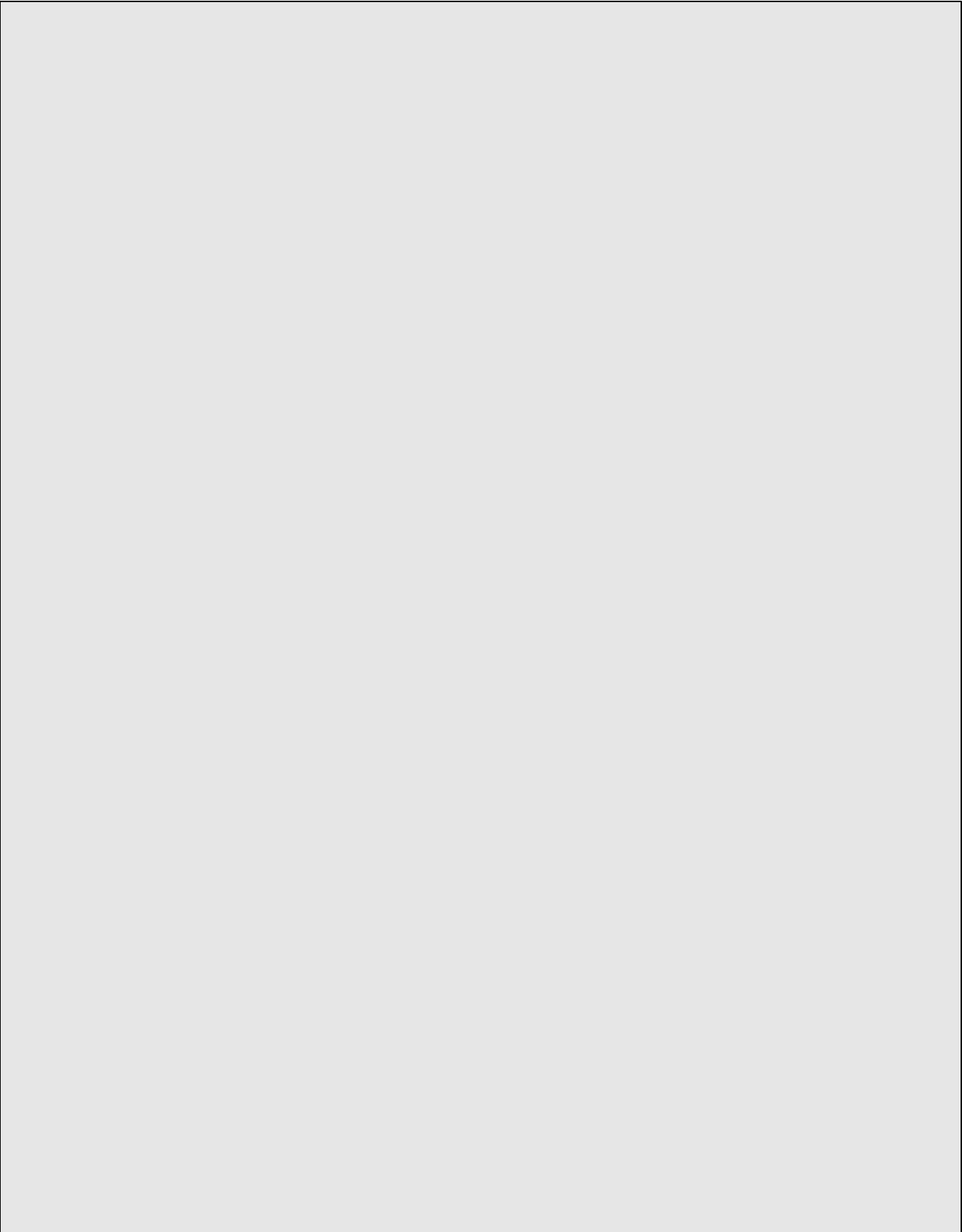
Preventing Domestic Violence, It's Everyone's Duty, is this year's theme for the Domestic Violence Prevention month of October. Each of us can play an important role to end domestic violence. The Naval Criminal Investigative Service (NCIS) has the responsibility of being the primary investigative mechanism within the Department of the Navy. NCIS here in Rota has a newly established Domestic Violence Unit (DVU), which directly addresses quality of life issues of USN personnel and the operational readiness of Commands. The mission of the DVU is to prevent future incidents and escalation of domestic violence through a coordinated and integrated approach.

Agent Matt Campbell of the NCIS, reports, "Domestic violence occurs within all communities, including the military community. The potential for domestic violence is increased when the factors of additional stress associated with living overseas come into play. Such factors include adapting to living in an environment where the language, economy, and culture are unfamiliar. Many active duty USN members assigned to Naval Station Rota are frequently deployed away from their families for periods up to six months. This compounds the stress associated with living overseas."

According to the Family Advocacy Representative at the Navy Family Service Center (NFSC), 30 percent of the cases referred to the Family

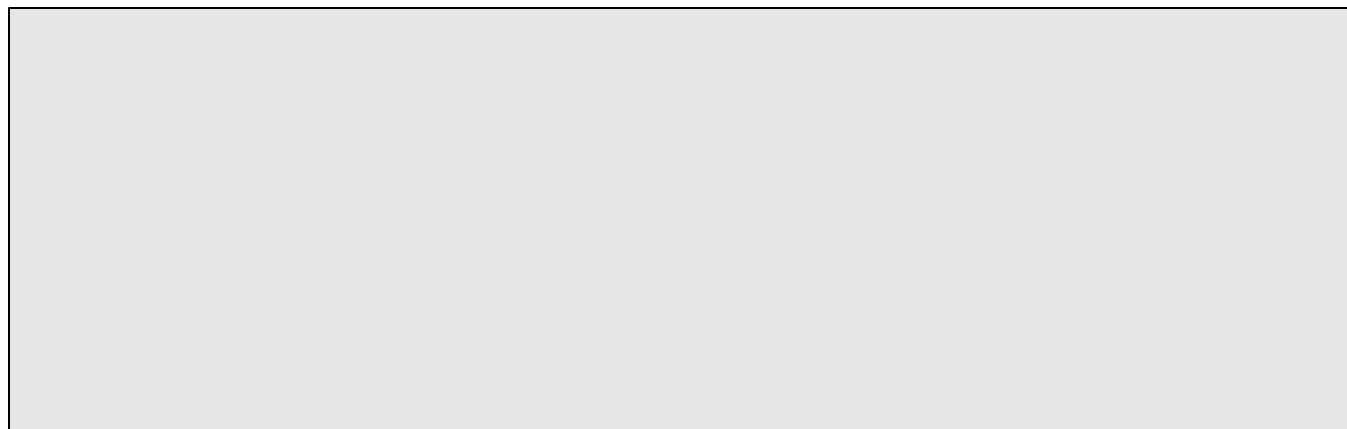
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# Month at a glance

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<h1>October /</h1> <h1>November</h1>				<b>14</b> Flu Shots, Active Duty Only, Family Practice, Thursdays, 1 - 4 p.m.  <b>NAVSTA Captain's Call</b> , Chiefs, 3:30 p.m., NAVSTA Classroom  <b>Breast Cancer Awareness</b> , 5K run/walk 1:30 a.m. at the fitness center.	<b>15</b> <b>Captain's Call</b> at 12:05 p.m. on Hot 102.5 FM  <b>Breast Cancer Awareness Health Fair</b> , 10 a.m. - 2 p.m., Video Mart, HomeCenter, Commissary  <b>DRMO Cash &amp; Carry Sale</b> , 9 a.m. - noon <b>Navy Ball</b> , Bodega "El Cortijo", 6:00 p.m., Puerto, Call 3307	<b>16</b> <b>Flea Market</b> , 9 a.m. - noon, Drive-in, Call 2527  <b>Swap Meet</b> , 1-4 p.m., Expeditions, Call 2527  <b>DGF Homecoming Football Game</b> , Home (vs. Alconbury), 2:00 p.m./ <b>Parade</b> , noon/ <b>Pep Rally</b> , Fleet Landing, 7 - 9 p.m.
<b>17</b> <b>ITT Trip to Granada</b> (Overnight), Call 1560  <b>Sunday School</b> , DGF, Protestant, 9:00-9:50 a.m.; CCD, 10:30-11:30 Call 2161	<b>18</b> <b>Spanish Classes</b> , Registration begins, Call 3232  <b>Youth Sports Basketball</b> , Registration begins, call 2382  <b>NAVSTA Command INDOC</b> this week	<b>19</b> <b>ITT Jerez Horse Show</b> , Call 1560  <b>Comm. &amp; Assert.</b> , 5:15 - 8 p.m., Call 3232  <b>Checkbook Management</b> , 1 - 3 p.m., call 3232  <b>DGF Parent Open Forum</b> , 6 p.m., MPR	<b>20</b> <b>DGF H.S. SAC</b> , 4:00 p.m., School Library  <b>Parents &amp; Tots</b> , 11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m., Call 3232 <b>Anger Management</b> , 5:15 - 7:15 p.m., Call 3232 <b>ITT Gibraltar &amp; El Colorado Shopping</b> , Call 1560	<b>21</b> <b>JAB Meeting</b> , 9:15 a.m., Chapel  <b>Stress Management</b> , 5:15 - 7:15 p.m., Call 3232 <b>Active Parenting of Teens</b> , 1 - 3 p.m., call 3232 <b>Becoming Credit Wise</b> , 1 - 3 p.m., call 3232	<b>22</b> <b>ITT Evening Bodega Tour</b> , Call 1560  <b>Karaoke Contest</b> , Reflections, 9 p.m.  <b>Gypsy Lunch</b> , Free, Expeditions, 11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.	<b>23</b> <b>ITT Sevilla Historical</b> , Call 1560  <b>ITT Trip to Morocco</b> (overnight), Call 1560  <b>DGF Football Game</b> (at Menwith Hill), 2:00 p.m.  <b>Mothers-in-law Day</b>
<b>24</b> <b>ITT Trip to Ronda</b> , Call 1560  <b>Sunday School</b> , DGF, Protestant, 9:00-9:50 a.m.; CCD, 10:30-11:30, Call 2161	<b>25</b> <b>Joint Commission for Accreditation of Hospital Organization</b> inspection, this week	<b>26</b> <b>ITT Trip to Chiclana Doll Factory</b> , Call 1560  <b>DGF Elem. SAC</b> , 3:50 p.m., Parent Connec. Rm.	<b>27</b> <b>ITT Trip to Morocco</b> Call 1560  <b>Parents &amp; Tots</b> , 11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m., Call 3232  <b>Developing A Spending Plan</b> , 1 - 3 p.m., Call 3232 <b>TAP Seminar</b> , 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m., Call 3232	<b>28</b> <b>Active Parenting of Teens</b> , 1 - 3 p.m., call 3232  <b>Great Pumpkin Carving Contest</b> , 7 p.m., Expeditions  <b>Smooth Move</b> , 12:30 - 4:30 p.m., call 3232 <b>TAP Seminar</b> , 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m., Call 3232	<b>29</b> <b>Halloween, Magic Woods</b> , 9 p.m. - midnight  <b>Cross Country Run</b> , noon, call 2565  <b>Captain's Call</b> at 12:05 p.m. on Hot 102.5 FM <b>TAP Seminar</b> , 8:30 - 11:30 a.m., Call 3232	<b>30</b> <b>Halloween</b> , CDC (5 and younger), 4:30 - 6:30 p.m., call 2527  <b>Halloween, Trick or Treat Street</b> , 7 - 9 p.m., Feria Grounds, call 2527  <b>Breast Cancer Awareness Health Fair</b> , 10 a.m. - 2 p.m., Video Mart, HomeCenter, Commissary
<b>31</b> <b>Daylight Savings Time</b> , set clocks back one hour  <b>Sunday School</b> , DGF, Protestant, 9:00-9:50 a.m.; CCD, 10:30-11:30, Call 2161	<b>1</b> <b>All Saints' Day</b>  <b>Uniform Shift to Blues</b>  <b>CMC/Ombudsman Conference</b> , this week	<b>2</b> <b>Election Day</b>  <b>DGF Elem. PTO</b> , 5:30 p.m., Parent Connection Rm.  <b>Loving and Effective Discipline</b> , 5:30 - 7:30 p.m., call 3232	<b>3</b> <b>Parents and Tots</b> , 11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m., Call 3232	<b>4</b> <b>DGF End of First Quarter</b>  <b>Active Parenting of Teens</b> , 1 - 3 p.m., call 3232  <b>Sponsor Training</b> , 9:30 - 11 a.m., call 3232	<b>5</b> <b>DGF Teacher Work Day</b> (No School)  <b>Creative Resume</b> , 9 - 11 a.m., call 3232  <b>NAVSTA Uniform Inspection</b> , 0900, C-12 Hangar	<b>6</b> <b>OCSC Holiday Charity Bazaar</b> (Sat & Sun)
<b>7</b> <b>Navy Sabbath</b>  <b>Sunday School</b> , DGF, Protestant, 9:00-9:50 a.m.; CCD, 10:30-11:30, Call 2161	<b>8</b> <b>DGF Begins Second Quarter</b>  <b>DGF Parent-Teacher Conference Day</b> (No School)	<b>9</b> <b>First Dogfight</b> involving a Navy jet and an enemy jet (1950)  <b>Interview Skills</b> , 1 - 3 p.m., call 3232  <b>DGF Parent-Teacher Conference Day</b> (No School)	<b>10</b> <b>Marine Corps Birthday (1775)</b>  <b>Parents and Tots</b> , 11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m., Call 3232	<b>11</b> <b>Veterans Day</b>	<b>12</b> <b>Captain's Call</b> at 12:05 p.m. on Hot 102.5 FM	<b>13</b> <b>Your Event Could Be Scheduled Here</b>





Photos by JOC Jon McMillan

JOC Jon **McMillan**

I know people who live in Sanlúcar and they say they love it there. But to make a trip to a town only 20 or 30 minutes from the base, just seemed, well, a bit silly. I mean, it's so close. But finally, I heard about something happening there, and let me tell you, many things happen there, that caught my attention and forced me out on a drizzly, overcast Columbus Day holiday.

It was the Tapa Feria. Supposedly, one of the main plazas in Sanlúcar was to celebrate tapas, the light, tasty appetizers served in bars all across Spain. It sounded like a great idea to go and visit, sample tapas and just relax and enjoy the day at the city where both, yes, count 'em, both Columbus and Magellan, had set sail from on some pretty darn famous voyages. It was Columbus' third voyage and Magellan attempt to circumnavigate the globe, I'm told.

The only thorn in my plan was the weather and my timing. The weather wasn't cooperating for an outdoor excursion to discover a city and my timing, well, I left the Naval Base at 1 p.m. and found parking in the town right around, say, siesta time.

But, no problems. The tapa feria was still on. People were sitting at outdoor tables eating tapas. Bars and restaurants had special 'tourist' menus and the weather even cleared up for the trip a bit.

The old part of Sanlúcar reminded me of a bigger Rota, or parts of downtown El Puerto – I assume it's because Rota, like Sanlúcar is a fishing town and El Puerto, like Sanlúcar is wine town. King prawns (langostinos) along with Manzanilla are the town's claim to fame.

Eating a langostino is a bit of a chore for someone a bit squeemish or unaccustomed to ripping heads off prawns or other crustaceous animals. The King Prawns are cooked with their full body attached: shell, legs and head. The secret I found is to taste them. After that, it's really not a problem to rip the head off, split the shell in the middle and peel out the

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# Sanlúcar

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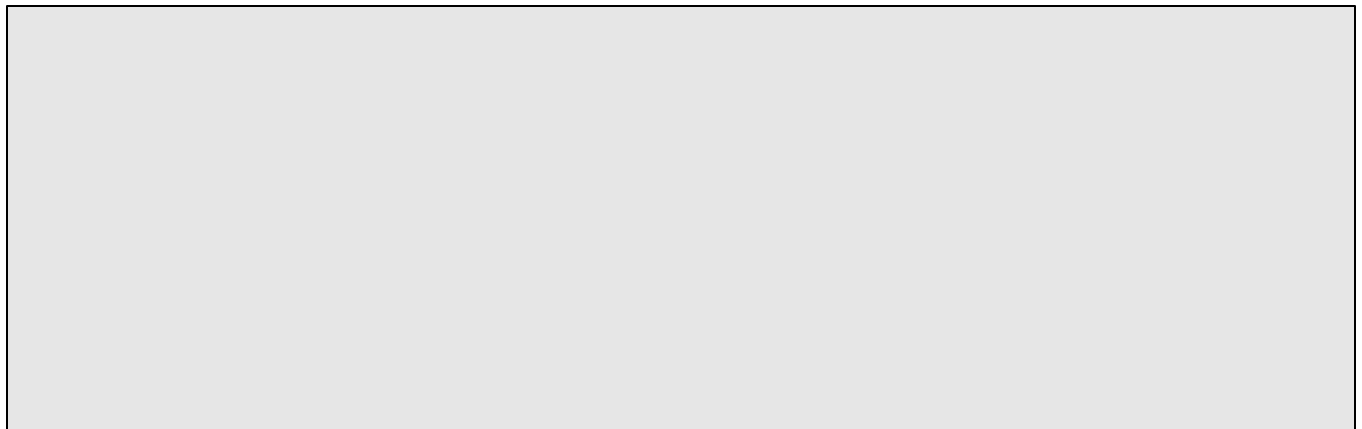




edible shrimp-like portions. These things are yummy. Yummy, yummy. The manzailla though took a little bit more getting used to... in fact, I'm still acquiring the taste and it's coming along as fast my acquisition for the sherry found in Jerez and El Puerto.

After tasting tasty tapas, I ventured about the town some. Sanlúcar has a beautiful church, Nuestra Señora de la O with interesting mudéjar architecture. The Duchess of Medina Sidonia has a palace here, which I only caught a glimpse of through its gated doors. It's rumored though that the Duchess will let people stay the night there, like it's an exclusive hotel, or, perhaps something similar to what an unspecified American President does with the Lincoln Room at the White House. I'm not sure thought.

The best thing about Sanlúcar though for me is just wandering around the city, looking at some nice sites and stopping, every oh, five or ten minutes to sit at a bar or café and take a refreshment or café or whatever and watch the people. This got me thinking that I like doing that





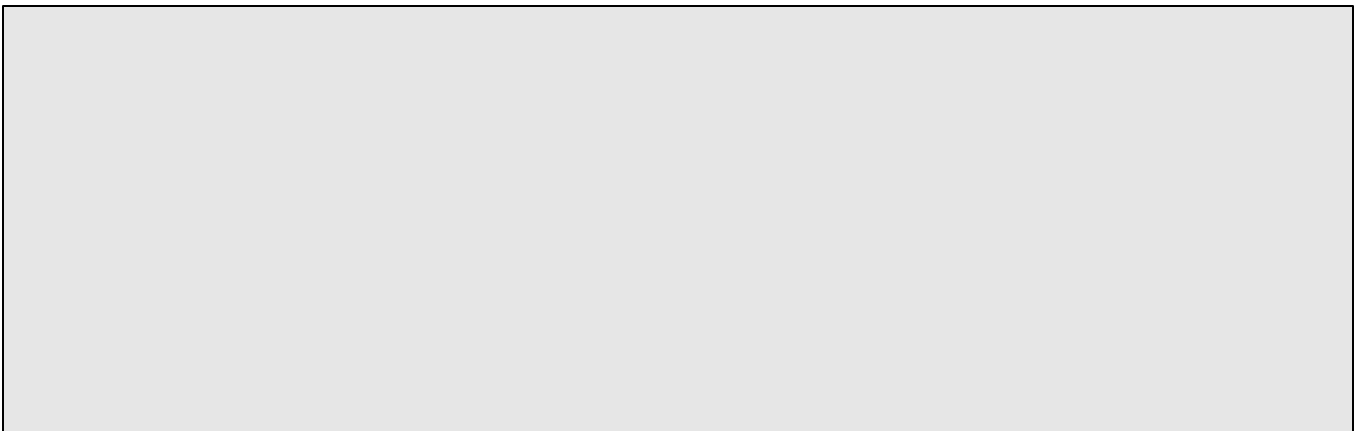
wherever I visit and sometimes, I drive pretty far to sit somewhere and do nothing.

From that perspective, I rethought my initial thought it would be silly to make a trip to a town so close to the base. You see, there's something about Sanlúcar that's really appealing. Maybe it's the mixture of fishermen, gypsies and wine

makers. Or perhaps it's a mixture of blocky-bodegas and spirally church peaks. I'm not sure.

I think though, that it's the relaxing bars and café's and delicious food.

That, and that it's close enough to take a few hours and get away for an afternoon.





## ROTA COASTLINE

## 8 DAYS

Coastline's listing of events and activities for the next eight days. Send your submissions to [coastline@navsta.rota.navy.mil](mailto:coastline@navsta.rota.navy.mil)

## a week

**Today****Sega Racing**

Champions is hosting a Sega Racing Competition today, at 7 p.m. Competition is free and the winner receives a \$12 gift certificate. Minimum of two players required. Call 2433 for more information.

**Bingo Night**

JAMS' Bingo Night is being held on today from 6-7 p.m. for ages 10-12. For more info call 4564.

**Friday**

**Music.** Soul by group "The Soul Machine", at Sala Milwaukee, La Bajamar Ave., El Puerto, 11 p.m. Soul. "Garabato Blues", at Café Du Mundo & Copas, El Puerto, 11 p.m.

**Exhibition.** "Forja y pintura" by Jose Tejada Prieto at Centro Cultural "Alfonso X El Sabio", El Puerto. Through Oct. 21. Photographs by San Dionisio

Association. Café Pub Blanco y Negro" El Puerto. Through Oct. 21

**ITT Trip**

Oct. 15...Portugal shopping trip in Vila Real

**Saturday****Pumpkin Carving**

JAMS is having pumpkin carving and decorating on October 16 from 3-9 p.m. for ages 10-13. For more information call 4564.

**Flamenco.** Monday - Saturday at

"Lagar del Tio Parrilla", Jerez. Plaza del Mercado beside the Archeological Museum. Lyric Season, "La Reina de las Hadas" (The King's consort), at Villamarta Theater, Jerez. Tickets and information, 956-329507.

**ITT Trip**

Oct. 16...Go to Gibraltar to discover the "Rock". Oct. 16-17...See the Alhambra on

the Granada overnigher.

**Flea Market**

The Drive-In Theater hosts the area's flea market on October 16 from 9 a.m. until noon. This is your chance to clean out your closets, lockers and seabags and sell your treasures. Tables cost \$5 and \$3 for trunk sales. Call 2527 for more info.

**Club Championship**

Sign up by today at the Golf Course Pro Shop for the Club Championship to be held October 16 & 17. Cost is \$25 for RGA members and \$35 for non-members. Up to \$3,000 in prizes awarded. This is the biggest and best tournament of the year. For information call 2260.

**Swap Meet**

If you don't make it to the Flea Market bring your stash to Expeditions' Ballroom. Tables are \$2 each and space is limited.

Expeditions' Swap Meet, October 16, begins at 1 p.m. and the sales continue until 4 p.m. Call 2527 for more information. ITT takes you there...

**Monday****Need a place to hang your hat?**

Try your skills at the Wood Hobby Shop making a Shaker-style peg shelf. Classes are on October 18 & 19. Call 2284 for more information.

**Tuesday****Oct. 19...Jerez Horse Show.****Wednesday****Oct. 20...Gibraltar & El Colorado Shopping Trip.**

Scrabble  
Spelling your forte? Try your hand at the Scrabble Tournament on October 20 at 6:30 p.m. Call 2527 for more information.

**Chapel of Bones**

Interested in the macabre? Visit the Chapel of Bones in Evora, Portugal, October 22-24. Also, see the caves where the movie "Journel to the Center of the Earth" was filmed. Deadline to sign up is Oct. 20. Call the friendly staff at ext. 2527 for more info.

**Automotive Skills**

The Auto Hobby Shop's next free auto skills class is scheduled for 10 a.m., Oct. 20. Call 2268 for details.

**Dance classes**

MWR offers private and group dance lessons in ballet, tap and jazz, pre-dance classes for 3-5 year olds, as well as parent-child dance classes. Call the dance instructor, JulieAnn at ext. 4458 for more information. Class sizes are limited. Sew Fine!

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# Community news and information

## **Eight days, continued**

Cynthia teaches the fine points of sewing that will get you started on an interesting and rewarding hobby. Call Craftech at ext. 2550 for more details on these classes and much more.

## **Bingo is back**

Bingo starts at 7 p.m. every Thursday in Reflections. For details, call exts. 2851 or 2617.

## **50% Off**

On Fridays at the Auto Hobby Shop, shop fees are half off. On Sunday, tire balancing is half off. Call ext. 2268.

At Auto Used Parts, everything is 20% off. Call ext. 2268.

## **Self-defense classes**

MWR offers classes in the oriental martial arts. Jiu-jitsu classes are conducted from 6-8 p.m. Mondays and Fridays and at noon on Saturdays. The cost is \$25 per month. Aikido classes are scheduled for 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays and from 7:30 to 9:30 a.m. Saturdays. Classes

are in the Aerobics Center. Call ext. 2527 or stop by Expeditions to sign up or for more info.

## **Creative Kids**

Designed for kids ages 6-9, the Creative Kids program enables kids to test their computer skills, enjoy a game of pool or make an arts and craft project at JAMS. And, it's Free! Creative Kids happens on Tuesdays & Thursdays from 4-5:30 p.m. and Saturdays from noon-3 p.m. Call ext. 4564 for all the details.

## **Instructor needed**

MWR needs certified bowling instructors to work at Rota Lanes. Call ext. 2112 or stop by the Lanes and talk with the manager.

## **Marina special**

Throughout October, Scuba equipment is half price. MWR's Marina brings the outdoor life a little closer to you with great deals on camping equipment and boat rentals. Call ext. 2497.

## **Family Night Bowling**

Rota Lanes is the place to be on Monday & Tuesday nights from 5-8 p.m. Games cost only \$1 and the fun is free! Call ext. 2112 for all the bowling info.

## **Ho-Hum Lunch?**

You can have a great lunch from Market Street Grill Monday thru Friday 11 a.m.-2 p.m. while you bowl for only 75 cents per game.

## **Massage service**

Beginning October 1, the Fitness Center offers massage service in the Wellness Center by a certified therapist. Appointments are available 10 a.m.-7 p.m. Call 2565 for more information.

## **Sunset Cruise**

Sail on a 22ft. Catalina into the Bay of Cadiz. Enjoy the view of Rota, the sunset and the harbor. Set sail on Friday, Saturday or Sunday from the MWR Marina (weather permitting). Other times are available upon request. Call ext. 2497 for more information.

## **Baby care basic class**

Learn how to bathe, diaper, and dress a baby along with cord care, circumcision care and how to prepare formula. Class will be October 18 from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. at the hospital in the family practice conference room. Call 82-3459 to reserve a seat.

## **Santa's coming!**

OCSC bazaar November 6th, 10 a.m.-6 p.m. and 7<sup>th</sup>, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Also, don't forget to sign up for food court. Make money for your private organization! Call Susan Lumpkin at 4322

## **Book drive give away**

Welcome back to school. As the school year began, there were enough books from last year's book drive to give each child in the second and third grades a free book. Congratulations to the community for continuing to care about children's literacy. Again, we ask that if you have any books that you would like to donate to DGF, please drop them off in room 1618. As soon as there are enough books for a grade, the children will have the opportunity to select a free book. Please be sure that the books you donate are appropriate for grades k-6. Thank you for your continued support in keeping our children reading.

The Rota OCSC encourages all interested members to fill out the membership form sent to them recently in the October Digame.

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## RELIGION

## Chapline

with Chaplain Michael Gore

This is a story about the importance of community. A mother sent her son to the store. When he failed to return in time, she went looking for him. After a while she found him coming up the street whistling as he came. "Where have you been?" she asked. "I met Carol," he said. "She dropped her doll and it broke." "So you stayed to help her gather the pieces?" she asked. "No, I stayed to help her cry," he answered. Community is created in a climate like that. It lives wherever and whenever we share our happiness and sorrow. I wonder when was

the last time you shared another's sorrow? When was the last time you bore another's burden? And when was the last time you rejoiced without envy when someone else got good news? Do you want to make your workspace, your home, your community a bit more humane? Then do what the Bible advises. "Rejoice with those who rejoice; mourn with those who mourn. Live in harmony with one another." (Romans 12:15) If you do that then you'll create a true community—a place where you and others can really feel at home.

## Announcements

### Confirmation Classes

Classes for Protestant youth are now offered on Wednesday evening from 6-6:50 p.m., prior to the mid-week Protestant Communion Service. For more information contact Chaplain Beyer at 2161.

### Jewish Sabbath Services

services resume Friday at 7:00 p.m. in the chapel hall, and continue every 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of the month.

## "Home Away from Home"

Can you enjoy mom's apple pie when you're stationed in Rota? Or play with little sisters and brothers when you're single and thousands of miles from home?

You can. Well, maybe not *your* mom's apple pie, or *your* little brothers and sisters. But the Chapel, Family Services and Liberty program have teamed-up to help provide a *Home Away from Home* for single (or geographically separated) servicemembers here in Rota.

How does it work? Single servicemembers and host families each fill-out an application (the forms are available at the Chapel, FSC and Expeditions). The two are then linked together based upon common interests.

How does this differ from hosting a servicemember for the holiday? It may start as just that. Thanksgiving dinner with your family. But the intent is broader.

For one thing, host families might be able to help newly arrived servicemembers adjust to life in Spain. Make it a little less foreign. A little more like home. Secondly, the relationship doesn't have to end with one holiday meal.

The door is open for more than a meal. And most importantly, this is a two-way street. Families "adopt" another son or daughter; servicemembers get to be a "big brother" or "big sister".

Servicemembers and host families have the freedom to make the relationship as brief or long as they each choose. If you would like to participate or learn more about *Home Away from Home* please contact Chaplain Lott or RPC Dickerson at 2161.

### Worship Schedule (Oct. 15-20)

Friday	7:00 p.m. Jewish Sabbath Service (Chapel Hall)
Saturday	6:00 p.m. RC Mass
Sunday	9:00 a.m. RC Mass
	Sunday School @ DGF
10:30 a.m.	Prot Contemporary Service
	CCD @ DGF
1:30 p.m.	Prot Gospel Service
	Church of Christ (Chapel Hall)
Wednesday	6:00 p.m. Confirmation Class
7:00 p.m.	Prot Communion Service

### Abuse continued

Advocacy Program are substantiated for abuse. However, we are fortunate to have programs in operation to assist in curtailing tendencies towards violence.

The Family Service Center offers a number of prevention activities such as: education and support for families expecting a new baby through the New Parent Support Team; individual counseling for support and empowerment; and a series of classes called Managing Your Life.

Managing Your Life is a three-part program that addresses **Anger, Assertiveness, Communication and Stress** issues. Anger is a physical and psychological response.

When understood, anger can appropriately be used to motivate, effectively communicate ideas through assertive behavior, and assist in establishing appropriate personal boundaries. The goal is not to eliminate anger but to manage it effectively. Lack of communication and assertiveness skills fosters loneliness and frustration with daily interactions in the work place as well as in the home. Anyone can learn effective listening skills and develop the ability to clearly state their needs and increase self-fulfillment. Stress can be exhibited in ways such as work performance, safety, familial and social relationships, physical health and readiness, and more. When a person learns to effectively deal with stress, it improves the quality of life.

Annually in the U.S., an estimated 3.3 million children are at risk of being exposed to domestic violence and an estimated two to four million women are victims of family violence.

What can you do if you suspect that someone is involved in domestic violence? During regular working hours, call the Navy Family Service Center at 3232, and after hours and on weekends, call Security at 911. What can you do if you are a victim or an offender of domestic violence? Call the NFSC at 3232 during regular working hours, and after hours and on weekends, call Security at 911.

The Domestic Violence Unit will work with base security, Family Advocacy personnel, and other professionals to coordinate a response to domestic violence incidents, to enhance the success of intervention actions, and to reduce the occurrence and reoccurrence of domestic violence.

ROTA COASTLINE

**Community, cont.**  
The deadline for submission is October 20. The membership forms are necessary for comparing the 1999/2000-member directory. For more information, please call Ann Paschket at 85-3579.

**Influenza Immunizations**  
Flu shots for active duty servicemembers will be given at the Immunization Clinic Thursdays from 1-4 p.m., all others are welcomed to the clinic Monday through Wednesday and Fridays from 8-11:30 a.m., 1-4 p.m., and on Thursdays from 8-11:30 a.m. Civilian Employees should report to the Occupational Health Clinic for their flu shots, Monday through Friday from 2-4 p.m. For more information, contact Lt. j. g. Koerner at 3359.

**Annual Fire Protection Home Inspections**  
Fire Department personnel are conducting annual home fire protection inspections in Navy Housing. These inspections, required by Fire Prevention Program on Navy Shore Establishments (NAVFAC P-1021), serve to prevent fire incidents and include required operational tests to identify and correct malfunctions on installed residential sprinklers and fire alarm systems. For more information, call 4864.

**Rota Navy Flying Club Ceremony**  
Don't miss the Rota Navy Flying Club and the Air Force Sergeant Association's ribbon breaking ceremony Saturday at noon. The Navy Flying Club is celebrating it's reopening with \$10 flights in a Cessna 150 and a huge barbecue for only \$3 per dish. Please bring all of your family and celebrate this delightful event while enjoying the Andalusian Sky.

**Pet Ownership Responsibilities**  
The Security Department would like to remind all dog owners that when outdoors, dogs shall be kept on a leash or confined in a fenced area from which they can not escape. Owners must provide for daily removal and proper disposal of animal waste in the fenced in yard and in all other housing and commonly used areas. For more information, contact Crime Prevention at 1573.

**Community First Aid and Safety Class**  
The ARC is offering a Community First Aid and Safety Class Monday from 8 a.m.-5 p.m. The course will be held in room #2 at Navy Campus. The cost is \$45. You can register for this course at the ARC office, located in the PSD Bldg., or call 2333 for more information.

**HIV/AIDS Instructors Course**  
The ARC is offering an HIV/AIDS Instructors Course Nov. 1-5 from 8 a.m.-p.m. The cost is \$40. The course will be held in the DAPA Conference Room in the PSD Bldg. Register at the ARC office or call 2333 for more information.

**Basic Orientation at ARC**  
The next Basic Orientation for new Red Cross volunteers is scheduled for Nov. 8 from 10-11:30 a.m. at the DAPA conference room, located in bldg. 52. Please pick

up an application at the ARC office.

**NSGA Ombudsmen's Spouses' Call**  
The NSGA Ombudsmen will be hosting a Spouses' Call for all NSGA spouses and family members, Oct. 26 from 6-8 p.m. at the BOQ's Olive Pit. NSGA's Commanding Officer and Command Master Chief will be speaking, along with other command personnel. Tapas will be served and childcare is provided. For more information contact Rhonda Wade at 956-48-0818 or 2555.

**DGF News**  
Homecoming '99  
DGF Homecoming is scheduled for Saturday at 2 p.m. The Admirals will be hosting Alconbury at the MWR Football Field next to the Fitness Center. The Homecoming parade begins at noon at the Reflections parking lot. Activities begin tomorrow with a pep rally and a campfire.

**Lady Admirals Volleyball**  
Come on out and support the Lady Admirals volleyball team as they take on Aloha college today at 1 p.m., and Westwood tomorrow at 1 p.m.

**S.A.C.**  
The School Advisory Committee, comprised of parents, teachers, students and faculty, meets at least four times a school year to discuss various school related issues. These meetings are opened to the public and attendance is encouraged. Even though the S.A.C. does not function like a P.T.O., the S.A.C. does provide a forum to get together to hear issues and share ideas to better our school. The High School S.A.C. meets every third Wednesday of the month at 4 p.m. in the H.S. Library. The Elementary S.A.C. meets every fourth Tuesday of the month at 3:50 p.m. in the Parent Connection Room.

**Lunch Tickets**  
Lunch Program Meal Tickets for the 1999-2000 school year are \$1.95 for Elementary School students and \$2.10 for High School Students. Tickets can be purchased at the Housing Quick Stop, Videomart, NEX Customer Service Desk, Navy Lodge front desk or the NEX Administration office.

**Educational News**  
**Spouse Tuition Assistance Program**  
Going back to school but need a little help with the tuition costs? The Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society can help. The Spouse Tuition Assistance Program, or S.T.A.P., is sponsored by the Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society to offer financial assistance to spouses of active-duty military members stationed overseas who are undergraduate or graduate degree-seeking students. Applicants will be seen through tomorrow. Call the NMCRS at 1614 or visit our office located in bldg. 52 for more information. The University of Oklahoma

**Cameron University in conjunction with**  
the University of Oklahoma is sponsoring the Fall 1999 Association for Young Children in Europe (AYCE) Conference beginning tomorrow. The course will be ECE 5781/3871, Supporting Social/Emotional

## AFN ON TV

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ROTA COASTLINE

MOVIES

Motion Picture Association of America movie ratings:  
G – General Audiences, All ages admitted;  
PG – Parental Guidance Suggested. Some material may not be suitable for children;  
PG-13 – Parents Strongly Cautioned, Some material may be inappropriate for children under 13;  
R – Restricted, Under 17 requires accompanying parent or adult guardian.

MWR’s Movie Information Line extension is 2624. Remember all movies are free.

Drive In schedule:  
**Friday** – The Thirteenth Warrior (R)  
**Saturday** – Dudley Do-Right (PG)  
**Sunday** – Dick (PG-13)  
Drive-in movies begin around 8:30 p.m.

At the Gateway Auditorium:

Today  
6 p.m. Dudley Do-Right (PG)  
8:30 p.m. For Love of the Game (PG-13)

Friday  
7 p.m. Runaway Bride (PG)  
9:30 p.m. Dick (PG-13)  
  
Saturday  
3 p.m. A Dog of Flanders (PG)  
7 p.m. Mickey Blue Eyes (PG-13)  
9:30 p.m. Three Kings (R)  
  
Sunday  
3 p.m. A Dog of Flanders (PG)  
6 p.m. Three Kings (R)  
8:30 p.m. The Thirteenth Warrior (R)

Monday  
6 p.m. Mickey Blue Eyes (PG-13)  
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The 13th Warrior (R)  
Thriller; Antonio Banderas, Diana Venora, Omar Sharif (103 mins.)  
Unforgettable adventure set in 922 A.D. When an important emissary is abducted by a band of Viking

warriors, he’s forced to join their quest to battle cannibal creatures legendary for consuming every living thing in their path.

A Dog of Flanders (PG)  
Drama; Jon Voight, Jason Robards, Jesse James, Jack Warden (100 mins.)  
A young aspiring artist nurses a dog back to health. The dog inspires the young man to survive terrible hardships.

Mickey Blue Eyes (PG-13)  
Comedy; Hugh Grant, Jeanne Tripplehorn, James Caan  
A Manhattan art dealer is engaged to an art teacher who seems perfect until she reveals that her father is a Mafia boss.

For Love of the Game (PG-13)  
Drama; Kevin Costner, Kelly Preston (138 mins.)  
This romantic drama takes a provocative look into the professional and personal passions of Billy Chapel, a legendary baseball pitcher nearing the end of his career. In the midst of pitching a perfect game, he must make some serious decisions by the bottom of the ninth inning.

Dudley Do-Right (PG)  
Comedy; Brendan Fraser, Sarah Jessica Parker (82 mins.)  
A dedicated but hapless young Mountie discovers that the villainous Snidely Whiplash is planning to swindle all the local citizens out of their land with a fake gold rush scheme. It’s up to Dudley to single-handedly expose Snidely’s dastardly plot.

Dick (PG-13)  
Comedy; Kirsten Dunst, Michelle Williams (95 mins.)  
Betsy Jobs and Arlene Lorenzo wander off during a class trip to the White House and meet Nixon. They end up becoming secret advisers to the President during the Watergate scandal.

Runaway Bride (PG)  
Romantic comedy; Julia Roberts, Richard Gere (116)  
A small-town clerk becomes famous for leaving three grooms at the altar and cynical reporter decides to write about her marital near-misses. As he investigates her behavior, a love affair soon develops.

Three Kings (R)  
No information available.

Job Announcements

Sales clerk, Videomart, \$5.84/hr.  
Sales clerk, Main Store, \$5.84/hr.  
Sales clerk, Auto Parts Store, \$5.84/hr.  
Visual Merchandise Helper, \$5.84/hr., not to exceed four months.

The Navy Exchange is continuously accepting applications for employment from spouses and other U.S. family members of military or civilian personnel stationed in the area for various positions that become vacant due to the constant rotation of military personnel. For details call 3177.

MWR Job Vacancies

Dining Room Cashier, Champions.  
Cashier, Market Street Grill.  
Program Assistant, CDC.  
Sales Clerk, Champions.  
Recreation Aide, Youth Center.  
Cashier, Craftech.  
Club Operations Aide, Reflections.

In addition, MWR is recruiting U.S. Aerobic Instructors, Family Child Care Providers and U.S. Craft Instructors.

# CLASSIFIEDS

## Autos/Motorcycles

**For sale:** 1988 Ibiza, am/f, radio w/ cassette and detachable face. Insurance until April. Great condition and well maintained. Call Cassandra 81-0018

**For sale:** Renault station wagon, very reliable available now, ITV insurance good through November '99. \$700 OBO. Call Steve at 3233.

**For sale:** Reliable American car, automatic transmission, AC, less than ten years old. Call 956-23-0346 after 6 p.m.

**For sale:** 1991 Citroen Bx 5 speed. Manual, 4 doors, AC, dark gray. ITV insurance good until December 2000. Asking \$2,000. Call Flores at 956-81-4809.

**For sale:** 1987 Volkswagen GTI, 16 v., gray, 5 speed, AC, sunroof, power windows and locks. Look and runs great. Euro specs. Asking \$3,750. Call Jim at 956-87-7509 or e-mail [jmharris@teleline.es](mailto:jmharris@teleline.es)

**For sale:** 1987 Renault Super 5c. White, 2 door with only 17k kilometers on rebuilt motor. Runs great, looks good too. Many extras. Recent tune-up. \$1800-call Todd 4069.

**For sale:** Rota beater for sale. Asking \$600 ITV and insurance until May. Ready to sell ASAP. Call Fleurant at 2375 or 5649.

**For sale:** 1990 Chevy Corsica v-6. AM/FM radio. Good condition. ITV until March 2000. Roomy, reliable family car. \$3,300. Call 956-84-1310.

**For sale:** 1990 Fiat Uno imported, ITV until November 2000. New engine, new brakes. Runs great. Asking \$1,500 OBO. Call Tom at 956-82-2306 or 956-82-4206.

**For sale:** 1972 VW Baja Beetle \$3,500. Needs engine cover to pass ITV. 2000 cc engine, dual carb and more. Excellent condition. Blue and yellow paint. Call 1212 or 956-56-2194.

**For sale:** 1991 Honda Accord EX white/blue 5 speed, 110k miles, moon roof, power windows, power locks, ITV until 2000, great shape, maintenance records, \$5,500 OBO. Call Edie at 956-82-0152.

**For sale:** 1981 Mercedes Benz 300D for sale. Call 4802 for more info.

**For sale:** Honda Vision moped 49cc. Cute moped only \$300. Insurance good until May 2000. Call Mammie at 1716 or 956-482-206.

**For sale:** 1988 Mercedes 280SE, Auto trans. current ITV, cent lock, leather, PW, PS, PB, TRF paid by seller. \$5,300. Contact Bob Blake 956-840615.

**For sale:** 1990 Renault 21 TXE, AC, PS, PB, Alloy Rims, cent lock, current ITV, TRF paid by seller \$4,400. Contact Bob Blake 956-840615.

**For sale:** 1990 AUDI 100 2.2 AC, PW, PS, PB, current ITV, TRF paid by seller. \$4,100.

Contact Bob Blake 956-840615.

**For sale:** 1987 AUDI 100 2.2, PS, PB, PW, current ITV, TRF paid by seller. \$2,800. Contact Bob Blake 956-840615.

**For sale:** 1992 Ford Explorer, US Spec, Spanish taxes paid, V6, 4.0, Auto trans, fully loaded, current ITV, TRF paid by seller. \$12,500. Contact Bob Blake 956-840615.

**For sale:** 1995 Seat Marbella, current ITV, TRF paid by seller, \$2,800. Contact Bob Blake 956-840615.

**For sale:** '90 Jeep Cherokee Limited 4.0, fully loaded, leather, stereo, A/C, Spanish taxes paid, I.T.V. good until July '00. \$6,500 O.B.O. Ask for Jimmy 956-480546 or 629-228593.

**For sale:** 1992 Ford Fiesta, exc. cond., ITV/Ins. until Apr. '00, original owner, dealer maintained, bike rack, radio, chains. Call Mike at 956-82-2770 or Renee at 956-81-4979.

## Household and Electronics

**Motorolla cell phone.** \$80 w/2 batteries, works great. Call Tammie at 956-82-1716 or 956-48-2206.

**For sale:** Duracraft 1.5 humidifier \$20, Whirlpool window air-conditioner, quite Miser, 115 volt \$50., Sega Genesis with one Sonic game. \$30. Call Tina at 956-85-7758.

**For sale:** doublestroller \$75, white crib w/mattress \$75, leather jacket \$40, potty chair \$8, electric heater \$20, breast pump \$20, call Cathy@956824972

**Dual Voltage Floor Fan, 16"**, \$30; Two 16" 110V floor fans, \$30 for both. Call Patti at 956-81-5407.

**3-Piece Living Room Table Set.** \$50 obo; black lacquer dresser w/ mirror and matching headboard, \$100 obo. Please call Abbie at 956-82-4926.

**Butano Heaters**, w/hose and regulator, \$75 ea., obo; Washing Machine, 220V, \$200 obo. All great for out in town. Call Tom at 956-82-2306 or 956-82-4206.

## Houses/Apartments

**Two top quality, cute houses in Las Redes for rent:** One air conditioned, 4 bedrooms both 2 1/2

baths. Dining-living room with fireplace. Yard, drive-way. 125.000/95.000 ptas/mo. Gardener and community fees included. Commission free. Call Eloy.

English spoken, always helpful and attention guaranteed. 956-540044 or 689-190243 (cell).

**FOR RENT APARTMENTS,** Do You Have a couple of days off ? Come to Torremolinos. View

Web page for full details. Private parking and 24 hour security. 10 minutes walk to town center and beach. Ray 95-2051523—[longton@mercuryin.es](mailto:longton@mercuryin.es)

<http://estrellas.malaga-it.com>

**House for rent:** 2 bedrooms, livingroom, 1 bath, kitchen, garage and pool. 3,000 meters of garden. 5 minutes from base. 75.000 pts./mo. Ask at the reception desk in Hotel Playa de la Luz or call 956-810500.

**For rent:** Spacious, unfurnished house in El Manantial. 5 large bedrooms; 3 full baths; large kitchen, Living Rm/dining room/ fireplace; storage room; Drive-way; Telephone line; Community fees and gardener included. 180,000 Pts/mo. Call Ed: 956-871519 or 639-310436

**For Rent:** Great location, across street from the beach. New apartment completely furnished. 4

bedrooms, 2 baths, big livingroom, kitchen and balconies to the Avenue. Asking 75.000 ptas. Call Century 21 Agin 2000 @ 956-846-221

**Lovely beachfront apartment for rent:** front row, near Fuentebravía gate, unfurnished. Living-dining room, large terrace, 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, complete kitchen, wash machine, phone, TV, satellite, lift, underground garage, solar heat, good security. 125.000 pesetas/mo. Includes community fees. Call Brigitte at 956.851396 or Coco at 956-480973.

**Unfurnished townhouse in Las Redes for rent;** 4 bedrooms; 3 baths; kitchen; living Rm/dining Rm/fireplace, Driveway; telephone; gardener included. 120,000 Pts/mo. Call Ed: 956-871519 or 639-310436

**Need a house?** We'll find what you want. No fees, no language barrier. Your satisfaction is our best publicity. 956-562313 or 610-753503. Call us anytime.

**For Rent.** Country house with 2 double bedrooms, kitchen, livingroom and 1 bath. Very big and nice yard. Completely furnished. On Chipiona Road only 6 minutes from Rota Gate. Owner asking for 100.000 ptas. Call

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Century 21 Agin 2000 @ 956-846-221

**Need a fully furnished/equipped two bedroom apartment on a monthly basis ?** In Puerto area : El Manantial beachfront with beautiful views/Vistahermosa/El Ancla only 75.000/70.000 ptas/mo. Community fees included. Commission free. Call Eloy. English spoken. Always helpful and attention guaranteed. 956-540044/689-190243 (cell).

**For Rent:** Good size, ground level apartment in a very nice area of Rota, 4 bedrooms, 2 baths, kitchen, livingroom and terrace. Furnished or unfurnished. Asking 75.000 ptas. Call Century 21 Agin 2000 @ 956-846-221. We Rent Homes. No Rental Fee.

**Beautiful beachfront apartment for rent :** near Fuentebravía gate, unfurnished, 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, living-dining room, complete kitchen, balcony, solar heat, TV satellite, phone, underground garage, lift, good security. 100.000 pesetas/mo. Includes community fees. Call Brigitte at 956.851396 or Coco at 956.480973.

**For Rent:** Single family home with two apartments completely furnished. Bottom apartment has 3 bedrooms, bathroom, kitchen, livingroom and patio. Top apartment has: 4 bedrooms, 2 baths, kitchen, livingroom and balconies facing the Avenue. Very close to the beach. Asking 75.000/ 80.000. Call Century 21 Agin 2000 @ 956-846.221. We Rent Homes. No Rental Fee.

**For Rent:** Apartment of 3 bedrooms, 1 bath and a half, livingroom, semi-furnished and closed garage. In the center of the town. Asking 70.000 ptas. Call Century 21 Agin 2000 @ 956-846-221. We Rent Homes. No Rental Fee.

**New attached house in Costa Ballena (new development between Rota & Chipiona) for sale.** The house is located on the first line of the beach and surrounded by the golf course. Good orientation. 90 sq. meters on one floor, top quality materials, more than 40 sq. meters of yard, porch, fireplace and barbecue. Pre-installation for central air and city gas, fiber optics, underground garage and community pools. Call 956-306093 after 3 p.m. or leave message at 956-542997 (English).

**Chaplet of the Sacred heart** (*On the Cross*) O Jesus give us Thy heart as a Pledge of Thy Love and as a place of refuge that we may find there a secure repose during our life and sweet comfort at the hour of our death. (*On the Small Beads of Rosary - 50 Times*) O Sacred heart of Jesus burning with love of us inflame our hearts with love of thee. (*On the Large Beads of Rosary - 5 Times*) Thee I adore, praise and love O sacred heart of my dear Jesus penetrated with grief at the thought of so many offenses which have been hitherto committed against thee in the most holy sacrament of the altar I offer up to thee in satisfaction there of the amiable heart of Thy most beloved mother with the merits of the Saints. Amen *Jess L'pez*

## Miscellaneous

**Dog Training at its best!** American military retiree sells top-of-the-line, US-made, ultra-humane, TriTronics collars in Spain. For unwanted barking, The Bark Limiter - \$110. For obedience, The Companion - \$210. Complete instructions included. Call 95-568-5753 evenings after 1900 hours. Email: [Collars@ESquireTech.com](mailto:Collars@ESquireTech.com)

**For sale:** Evenflo car seat, up to 40 pounds. \$30, infant carrier seat \$15. Evenflo travel/play crib \$50. Graco wind-up swing \$30. Little Tikes toddler swing \$10. Call Tina 956-85-7758.

**Intensive Spanish Courses:** All levels - Trinity School. For information, call 956-871926.

**Beanie Land:** Beanie babies, buddies, attic treasure bears, Britannia, New & retired ones. Tel. Ext. 3938 or 600-813354.

**30 MINUTES OF FREE CALLS** with Rapid Link. Sign-up by e-mail. No hidden charges, monthly fees. Normal Spain to USA rate, 27 cents. Info from [pp10013@cybernet.it](mailto:pp10013@cybernet.it).

**Volunteer needed at RAWL** to feed, bathe, clean cages, and walk dogs. Call 4000 for more info.

**Jogging Stroller**, \$50; Little Tikes toddler bed, \$40; Toddler kitchen set, \$7; Girls clothing, 3T-4T; Little Tikes Mtn., \$10; Little Tikes Castle, \$7. Call 956-82-4761. Women's xsmall/xshort cammies, **size 3 & 4 combat boots, jungle boots & more, best offer. Call 956-81-5407.**

**Golf Irons**, 3-SW, exc. cond., custom golf clubs (Precision)-steel shaft, \$150. Call 956-82-2346 or 956-81-4382.

## Pets

**Free Small Dog**, very active, good w/ children, house broken, all shots up-to-date, fixed, loves to run. Call P.O. McKinney at 616-683-555 (home) or 956-82-3986 (work).

**Adopt a Pet at Rota Animal Welfare League (RAWL).** Various dogs and cats to choose from.

Call 4000 or stop by (across from the drive-in).

**For sale, Miniature Schnauzer puppies** with pedigree, salt and pepper, shots, Born August 2. Call 956-371885 or 610-050516

**For sale, Cocker Spaniel puppies :** two months old, shots. Call 956-371885 or 610-050516.

**For sale :** American Pitbull Terrier puppies, A.D.B.A. & bonifide registered. 9 weeks old, ready to go now. Please call Jake at X-2231 or 956-480143 (HM), 606-086564.

## Wanted

**Large Dog Carriers/Kennels**, PCSing in three weeks. Please contact P.O. Johnson at 956-82-1155 or 956-48-0313.

*All TEI 'Spanish ID' card holders are eligible to place free advertisements and are limited to 25 words. Free ads are restricted to non-commercial goods and services. Please e-mail your ads to [coastline@navsta.rota.navy.mil](mailto:coastline@navsta.rota.navy.mil)*

## OPINION

## Publisher's Corner

## Karen Lucas

More about the Halloween party on October 29<sup>th</sup> at the **Casino Bahía de Cádiz**: The band will be **Unión Pacific**, there will be a magician and the prizes for best costumes are: 1<sup>st</sup> prize - 50.000 pesetas, 2<sup>nd</sup> prize - 30.000 pesetas and 3<sup>rd</sup> prize 20.000 pesetas. Pretty great prizes I would say. Certainly enough to stimulate imaginations!

By the way, if you are looking for or need some help with costumes, there are some places in the area that rent things.

In Jerez there is *Casa Brotons*, phones - 956-349619/ 619903040(cell) and *Disfraces Beatriz*, phone - 956-339977. In Cádiz there is Pepi Mayo - 956-212276. As I said last week, tell your friends to get out their best costumes and all of you come and

have a scary and fun night! Help make the first Spanish/American Halloween Party in Puerto a success!

Also at the **Casino Bahía de Cádiz**, there is a fashion show tomorrow night at 10 p.m. Entrance is 500 pesetas and all proceeds go to the humanitarian organization *Doctors without Borders*.

The show will be presented by Paco Gandía and many well-known names in the fashion world will be participating. The discotheque is now opening every Friday and Saturday night at midnight. Saturday night they feature ballroom dancing.

As of this Sunday, October 17<sup>th</sup>, **Restaurante Andalucía**, Avda. Sevilla, 29, Rota, will offer a special brunch on Sundays from 10:30 a.m. until 1:30 p.m. There will be pancakes with fresh fruit, honey, whipped cream, grilled bacon, sausages, and sunny side up eggs with beans or hash browns. All of this topped off with freshly brewed coffee, hot rolls and butter. All for only \$6 and half price for children under 8. Sounds good, doesn't it?

This is one of the few restaurants in Rota (the only one in the downtown area) that has abundant free parking right out front!

During October, **El Paseo Mall** is the *fun center* for kids every Thursday, Friday and Saturday evening between 6:30 and 9:30 p.m. There will be actors that perform skits at different locations in the mall, there will be workshops for kids where they will make things they can keep and there will be a children's theater. The skits will be performed

intermittently starting at 6:30 p.m., the theater is at 8 p.m. and the workshops are on-going. Take the kids out and have fun!

There is a new restaurant ad this week: **Bajo de Guía** in the *Centro Comercial* in Vistahermosa. They are located where Cactus used to be and it is run by José and his wife Mercedes who does the cooking.

They opened at the beginning of the summer and truthfully, I didn't bother to go by, thinking it was "just another fish place".

Then, just over a week ago I got an e-mail from Sheila McCready telling me it was real good and that I should look into it. Before I could get there, I got another message from her saying they had been back with some friends and had really enjoyed it.

Last Friday, my husband and I went and we were very impressed with the food. Especially the seafood dishes. For example: I had the baby squid Rioja style (*chipirones a la riojana*) and my husband had the meagre with peas (*corvina con guisante*). Both dishes were delicious!

For one of the starters we had roasted peppers with shrimp - original and very tasty. This is definitely not "just another fish place" and even though it may not be tops in atmosphere, Mercedes' cooking is special.

Of course, they also have a good selection of fried and grilled fish and some meat: veal and pork chops, pepper steak and their own special pork tenderloin. Give the place a try, you will be happy you did!

**Let's hear from you!** Send your inputs to me by fax to 956-542997 or by e-mail to COASTPUB@santandersupernet.com

## Community, cont.

Development in Young Learners. Participants attending this conference can earn one graduate or upper level undergraduate credit. Call 2799 to enroll.

## Religious News

Jewish Community of Rota The JCR invites all its member, new and old, to meet your new lay leaders on tomorrow at 7 p.m. Bring your ideas for the kinds of activities, services, and educational opportunities you'd like for the coming year. Meeting and coffee will follow a brief Shabbat service. For more information call Beth at 4200 or Susan at 956-23-0346.

## Rota community colleges

offering the following classes. Spanish for children Tuesdays and Thursdays 5-6:30 p.m. English as a second language Monday and Wednesday 10-11:30 a.m. Spanish cooking Tuesdays and Thursdays 6-8 p.m. Sevillana dancing Tuesdays and Thursdays 7-8:30 p.m. Continuing yoga Mondays and Wednesdays 5:15-6:45 p.m. Toefl preparation Tuesdays and Thursdays 6:30-8 p.m. Beginning Spanish Mondays and Wednesdays 5:30-7 p.m. Intermediate Spanish Mondays and Wednesdays 7-8:30 p.m. Conversational Spanish one Tuesdays and Thursdays 5:30-7 p.m. Salsa and Merengue dancing Mondays and Wednesdays 5:30-7 p.m. Beginning German Mondays and Wednesdays 5:30-7 p.m. Mexican cooking Tuesdays and Thursdays 10-11:30 a.m. Registration is from October 4<sup>th</sup> through October 18. Term: October 18 to November 11, 1999. Cost is \$25 per course. Call Carolina at 2913

SPORTS

sports talk

with Russ Gambrel

At some point this season, teams are actually going to start preparing for the St. Louis Rams. Kurt Warner is going to have a game in which he throws for less than 300 yards and three TDs. The receivers will actually catch balls which don't culminate in touchdowns (since last week, Isaac Bruce and Az Hakim have totaled eight catches between them. Seven were touchdowns). At some point, the Rams will fall to earth and I will find out how good they really are. I think this point will probably come in Tennessee in three weeks. Until then, I will just have to enjoy the 100 points they are bound to score on Cleveland. Let's roll... I know there are a lot of Atlanta fans out there that are going to hate me for saying it, but I have to get the following off my chest. The reason the Braves will not be remembered as the team of the 90s is their pathetic fan support. They've got a brand new stadium, a perennial winner on the field, and yet only 39,000 folks cared to show up for their playoff opener last week. What is up with that?

If memory serves, 1999 is the eighth full season in a row that Bobby Cox's team has made it to the post-season. And if memory serves even further, not once during this time has Atlanta suffered the indignity of going as a wild card. Since 1991, they have averaged nearly 100 wins a year and won either the NL's Western Division ('91 to '93) or Eastern Division ('95 to '99) with relative ease. In this same decade, however, the Blue Jays have twice as many World Series titles as the Braves. (And no one is going to argue Toronto's case for team 'o the nineties). Go figure.

While lots of baseball pundits have weighed in with various theories as to why this dynasty can't seem to win the big one,

I've got my own theory. Bad fans. Plain and simple. The kind of fans who stick with a team through good times and...well...good times. If you think I'm being harsh, just go to the Braves' official website and check out the attendance numbers since 1980. During the division winning years, attendance never dips below 2.5 million. But in years like '88 to '90, Ted Turner couldn't even sell a million tickets. In 1981, the Braves drew 500,000 people for an 82 game schedule. There are Arena football teams that average more fans than that.

Now, I'm not overlooking the obvious fact that teams draw more fans during a winning year. It's just the jaw-dropping difference between attendance in good years and attendance in bad years. Chicago has vomited up a Cubs team every year for like the last century. They play in an old, cramped and rotting stadium and finish last at least every three years. None of this seems to bother the fans in Chicago. They show up anyway. And if the Cubs ever made it to the World Series, riots would ensue among fans looking for tickets. Compare that to the scene last week in Atlanta. Scalpers outside of Turner Field couldn't even get face value. Sad but True. It's the reason why -despite those ads that run on TBS and the Superstation- America's team for the next week is going to be the New York Mets. See ya next week.



Irene and Matt Wilson run their part in Rota's first ever Mini-triathlon for kids. 18 kids took the challenge. MWR invites more kids to participate in teh next one on October 23. Run, swim or bike in teams!

Football Schedule

October 9	DGF Football Game (at London Central), 1400	16 DGF Football Game & Homecoming (at home vs. Alconbury), 1400
15	DGF Homecoming Pep Rally, Fleet Landing, 1900-2100	23 DGF Football Game (at Menwith Hill), 1400
16	DGF Homecoming Parade, 1200	30 DGF Football Game (Div. Champion North v. Div. Champion South), TBA



